

Lost Boy Reported Found.
Cheboygan, Mich., Aug. 4.—It is reported that the little 7-year-old boy of Gottlieb Meier, who has been lost in the woods since last Wednesday afternoon, has been located about thirty miles northwest of here, near a camp of the Cecil Bay Lumber company.

Site For State Camp.
Lansing, Mich., July 21.—The state military board will meet in a few days to select the location of this year's camp. The places under consideration are Ludington, Manistee and Island Lake.

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Free Methodist Ministers Given Their Flocks.
Cadillac, Mich., Aug. 24.—The annual Michigan Free Methodist conference, which has been in session here for ten days, closed Sunday. Fifteen hundred ministers and laymen attended.

Superintendent W. A. Sellow, of New York, who presided over the meeting, made the following appointments:

Grand Rapids district—J. K. Watson, district elder; Grand Rapids, F. K. Baker; Coopersville, O. P. Dufor; Fruitport, P. Satter; Sparta, S. W. Ingalls; Cedar Springs, J. W. Humphreys; Ravenna, J. W. Bearz; Bradley, S. H. Joslin; Coral and Howard City, D. D. Hall; Ennsley, E. M. Russell; Standwood, C. H. Pitchard; Lakeview, W. H. Switzer; W. Kalwood, evangelist; W. R. Cusick and L. T. Jacobus, superannuated; H. D. Coffin, financial agent, Spring Arbor academy.

Ionia district—A. S. Harris, district elder; Mt. Pleasant, J. A. Hudson; CFlare, C. L. Lamberton; Alma, R. E. Roycroft; St. Louis, Eunice Stoddard; Elmhurst, M. C. Eddy; Stanton, S. H. Williams; Greenville, P. D. Kaufman; Orleans and Bellevue, M. Dufor; Saranac, C. A. Glass; Morgan, S. H. Carpenter; Sunfield, J. B. Griswold and Cora Griswold; Grand Lodge, L. H. Hahn; Hastings, J. A. Allen.

His Rapids district—F. O. Wyman, district elder; Zig Rapids, E. Snider; Woodville, J. L. Hazeldine; Walker, to be supplied; Ludington, J. E. McDonald; Custer, W. H. James; Bristol, C. A. Gallup; Ewart, L. J. Hall; Fork, T. N. Gallup; Weldman, W. B. Huff; Rosedale, A. A. York; Barton, to be supplied.

Cadillac district—D. S. Briggs, district elder; Cadillac, J. A. Phillips; Cherry Grove, George McGrath; Manton, W. H. Bodine; Lake City, George Weldman; Kingsley and Traverse City, C. S. Miller; Colfax, W. D. Kingsley; Lodi and Mancelona, L. C. Fletcher; V. M. Danshin; Southarm, Alvin and May Whitmore; C. S. Gitchell, superannuated.

Postmasters' Association.

Grand Rapids, Mich., July 28.—The Michigan Postmasters' association will meet in Ludington, the home of Justus S. Stearns, and a large attendance is expected. Today Senator Burrows, accompanied by Secretary Henry M. Rose, left for Ludington to attend and will be the guest of Congressman Bishop. Burrows is booked for a speech and senatorial politics will not be a tabooed subject on the side.

Thinks It a Superfluous Law.

Ann Arbor, Mich., July 28.—Judge of Probate Watkins of this county declares that he considers the new law that goes into effect in September authorizing judges of probate to marry couples, as entirely superfluous, and that he will decline to perform the ceremony except in cases where the good of the community is to be subserved. He thinks there was no necessity for the law being passed.

Eighty Tons of Hay Burned.

Alpena, Mich., July 28.—H. R. Morse of Hubbard Lake suffered a \$3,000 fire. A large barn burned with eighty tons of new hay, which had been put in Saturday; four horses, a calf and a large quantity of harness, etc. The origin of the fire is unknown. Mr. Morse carried only \$1,000 insurance.

Mill Hands on a Strike.

Alpena, Mich., July 28.—The mill hands at the GHehrst sawmill went on a strike at noon Monday and tied the mill up. They demanded a 10 per cent raise over their present scale of \$4.50 per day, which the foreman refused.

A Purgative Pleasure.

If you ever took DeWitt's Little Early Risers for biliousness or constipation you know what a purgative pleasure is. These famous little pills cleanse the liver and rid the system of all bile without producing unpleasant effects. They do not gripe, sicken or weaken, but give tone and strength to the tissues and organs involved. W. H. Howell, of Houston, Tex., says, "No better pill can be used than Little Early Risers for constipation, sickheadache, etc." Sold by Charles Rhodes.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Double Tragedy.—Delirious from suffering with typhoid fever and thinking he would die and leave his wife unprotected for Dominick Terchell, a young foreigner, of Wall Station, near McKeesport, Pa., shot and almost instantly killed his wife, Ferena Terchell, at their home Monday night and then stabbed himself six times so seriously that he is expected to die at any moment.

Reforming Chinese.—Kong Tung Back, daughter of Kong Yu Wei, leader of the reform movement in China, has reached Tacoma, Wash., to organize the reform movement among the Chinese reform association, three of them being in Canada. From Puget Sound she will go to Portland, San Francisco, Chicago and New York.

Loaned Church Money.—Henry T. Elby, treasurer of the Oliver Baptist church (colored) of Chicago, was arrested and arraigned on a charge of having embezzled the church funds to the extent of \$21,000. The complaint against Elby is the clerk of the church, who says the money had been raised as a building fund. Elby could not produce the money and it is said he loaned it to a friend, who lost it in speculation.

Charged With Peonage.—United States deputy marshals have arrested and arraigned on a charge of peonage, Ala., on a charge of peonage. It is claimed that Priestwood commenced a prosecution against an old white man named English and his son, by having his (Priestwood's) son, who was a justice of the peace, to issue warrants for their arrest, and that on being threatened with imprisonment the two Englishs entered into a contract with Priestwood to work out about \$50 with him.

Resourceful Burglars.

New Baltimore, Mich., July 28.—The New Baltimore creamery was broken into during the night and 600 pounds of butter stolen. The burglars stole a wheelbarrow to convey their plunder to the shore, about 600 feet distant. Then they stole a boat belonging to Fred Jordan to carry it off, but as the stolen boat was discovered drifting in the lake, it is evident that the stolen butter had been transferred to a larger boat.

A Puzzle Fable.

An American heiress was wooed by a foreign prince, who urgently besought her to become his wife. In order to test the sincerity of his love she asked, "Will you still marry me if I give away all my money for charity and become as poor as yourself?" The prince considered awhile, and then responded, "Yes, provided you will still marry me if I renounce my title and become a plain republican person like yourself."

Query—194 she agree to his proposition?—Smart Set.

He Worked On.

Wife-George, this burning of the candle at both ends means an untimely grave. It is nearly 12 o'clock. Come to bed.

George—But I'm doing this night work in order to find money enough to buy you a birthday present.

Wife—Well, if you will persist in working of course I can't stop it. Good night, dear.

Killed Trying to Stop a Car.

Marine City, Mich., Aug. 4.—Abraham Simmons, aged about 65 years, was struck by a northbound Rapid railway car about five miles south of this city last evening, receiving injuries from which he died on the car, which stopped and picked him up to bring him here. Simmons lived in Cottleville township and was standing on the track to stop the car, desiring to come to the city. It is not known exactly how the accident occurred, but it is thought he did not get far enough away from the rails.

Branch County Sensation.

Coldwater, Mich., Aug. 4.—A decided sensation has been caused in California township by the arrest of Claude Warner on a serious charge made by Ethel Doyle, aged 15. Warner was released on bail, his examination being set for Aug. 7. It is alleged that other men will be involved. The defendant is 19 years of age.

Celebrated Emancipation Day.

South Haven, Mich., Aug. 4.—The colored people of Van Buren, Cass and Berrien counties celebrated Emancipation day here Monday. Five hundred were in attendance. Rev. A. H. Roberts of Chicago and Professor E. W. McElvree of Tennessee delivered addresses.

Ran Amuck on Niles Street.

Niles, Mich., Aug. 4.—A man giving his name as W. E. Wall and his home as Detroit was arrested last night for threatening to shoot people on Main street. The man is mentally deranged and claims he was released from a hospital at Ann Arbor Sunday. The police are anxious to get the case off their hands.

More Riots.

Disturbances of strikers are not nearly as grave as an individual disorder of the system. Overwork, loss of sleep, nervous tension will be followed by utter collapse, unless a reliable remedy is immediately employed. There's nothing so efficient to cure disorders of the liver or kidneys as Electric Bitters. It is a wonderful tonic, and effective medicine for run down systems. It dispels nervousness, rheumatism and neuralgia and expels malaria germs. Only 50c, and satisfaction guaranteed by Sharrar & Mulholland, druggists.

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Treasurer, Portland Economic League

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Where It Can Be Grown—The Yield. Its Use as Stock Food.

So much has been said of late about cassava as a stock food that the following information by Professor Tracy, formerly of Mississippi, given in farmers' bulletin No. 167, is of considerable interest, especially in its information as to the northern limit of growth of this plant.

The plant grows as a bushy shrub from four to ten feet in height, the branches forking repeatedly. The leaves are palmately divided into from three to eleven divisions from three-quarters to one and a half inches in width by five to ten inches in length. They are light green in color and very succulent.



SOME TWO-YEAR-OLD CASSAVA ROOTS.

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Drinks and Drops.

"Jenkins must be a pretty straight fellow," Dobbins tells me he never drinks a drop."

"So? You probably misunderstood Dobbins. What he said must have been that Jenkins never drops a drink."

—Baltimore News.

Sure Remedy Not Available.

Rev. Pastor—Mrs. Wakely tells me they have a great deal of trouble in getting their baby to sleep.

Mrs. Temple—I suppose it is too young to take to church.—Stray Stories.

Fiddlers Three.

Up in a spreading maple tree, Merrily playing, sat fiddlers three. Each had a bow, and each had a string. And, oh, they made that maple ring!

With one note the happy tune they played. Playing over the happy tune they played. They learned in honor of the moon. And never one mistake they made. In all that moonlight serenade.

For three notes on a simple string. Makes fiddling quite a pleasant thing. And jolly fiddlers never tire. Who play for love and not for hire. Up in the leafy maple hid. The good old time of kateydid!

—Brace Baxter in Youth's Companion.

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STATE FINANCES

Annual Report of Treasurer McCoy Given to the Public.

ALL IN A NUTSHELL

Summary Showing Sources of Revenue, Direction of Expenditures, Etc.—Cash Balance in Treasury \$4,517,403.22.

Lansing, Mich., Aug. 24.—The report of State Treasurer McCoy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, just given to the public, shows the balance in the treasury at the beginning of the year was \$4,517,403.22 and the receipts \$3,450,527.14 making a total of \$7,967,930.36. The disbursements were \$7,357,527.14, leaving a cash balance of \$610,403.22.

The balances in the several funds were as follows: General fund, \$2,654,535.22; primary school interest fund, \$1,739,299.37; university interest fund, \$8,448.32; surplus deposits account, \$2,030.17; war fund, \$215; war loan sinking fund, \$86,257.04.

The trust fund indebtedness of the state amounts to \$6,667,602.44, divided as follows: Agricultural college fund, \$33,938.47; Normal school fund, \$63,299.70; primary school fund, 7 per cent, \$4,196,642.40; primary school fund, 5 per cent, \$219,365.17; university fund, \$339,369.61.

Bonded indebtedness of the state amounts to \$43,000, this being the amount of Spanish-American war loan bonds not yet redeemed. It will be noticed that there is a balance of \$86,257.04 in the war loan sinking fund with which to retire these bonds, on which the interest stopped May 1 last, when they were presented.

Sources of Income.

Important items of receipts to the general fund were the following: From audit-general for state tax lands, redemptions, and delinquent taxes, \$732,651.71; from county treasurers under the tax law, \$2,983,815.26; from railroad, express, freight, refrigerator and car loading companies, \$6,724.73; from commissioner of insurance for cooperative and retaliatory fees, \$15,869.56; from governor for notaries' fees, \$3,452; fees collected by secretary of state, \$12,485.50; state oil inspection fees, \$11,464.15; peddlers' licenses, \$1,231.91; deer licenses, \$6,934.81; fees for examining banks, \$16,776.61; for care of insane, \$13,616.72; unexpended appropriations, \$2,359.05; sale of state lands, \$97,582.22; from United States government in aid of soldiers' home, \$72,594.29; from United States government in aid of agricultural college, \$25,000; from United States government account Spanish war claims, \$2,984.83; from United States government on account civil war claims, \$382,167.62; barbers' commission fees, \$3,736.50; medical registration board fees, \$4,996; fines paid by Gens. White and Marsh, \$2,000; transfers from educational and specific tax funds, \$1,822,923.16.

Where the Money Went.

The disbursements from the general fund included legislative appropriations for various purposes amounting to \$1,818,176.23. This amount includes \$529,579.80 for the Michigan university; \$119,491.40 for state normal college; \$113,666.66 for soldiers' home; \$104,000 for home for feeble minded; \$122,061.03 for military purposes; \$83,348.76 for school for deaf; \$30,700 for school for blind; \$41,600 for state fish commission; \$16,800 for state library; \$29,501.14 for labor bureau; \$40,000 for central normal school; \$96,241.60 for college of mines; \$76,700 for agricultural college; \$40,640.40 for state public school for boys; \$61,850 for industrial home for girls; \$110,045.80 for improvements at asylums for insane; \$22,622 for dairy and food commission; \$27,786.65 for Marquette normal school.

The salary and expenses of the state pardon board amounted to \$4,291.24; agent of state public school, \$2,961.13; care of juvenile offenders, \$11,059.72; conveying convicts to and from prisons and reformatories, \$19,865.54; medical treatment of children, \$2,116.17; transfer of insane convicts, \$1,163.24; current expenses of prisons, \$120,690; expenses of game and fish warden, \$18,056.63; San Jose scale inspection, \$1,931.04; state court of mediation, \$1,754.35.

The support of the insane cost the state the enormous sum of \$724,865.17 last year. The salaries and expenses of the barbers' commission aggregated \$3,736.50; salaries and expenses of medical registration board, \$3,844.88; salaries and expenses board of pharmacy, \$1,500; expense of collecting civil war claim, \$11,275.06; day schools for the deaf, \$10,209.80; costs of suits, \$10,187.53; coroners' fees, \$6,560.37; wolf, wildcat and lynx bounties, \$1,497.50; expenses of state banking department, \$20,597.43.

Cost of the Legislature.

The expenses of the last legislature, including per diem, mileage and all incidental expenses, were \$148,720.87; the expenses of state institutions which were charged back to counties, \$15,278.75.

The salaries of state officers, clerks and judges of courts aggregated \$446,421.94. The expense of sales and collecting delinquent taxes was \$58,866.04 and the amount of taxes collected by sales paid counties was \$600,637.30.

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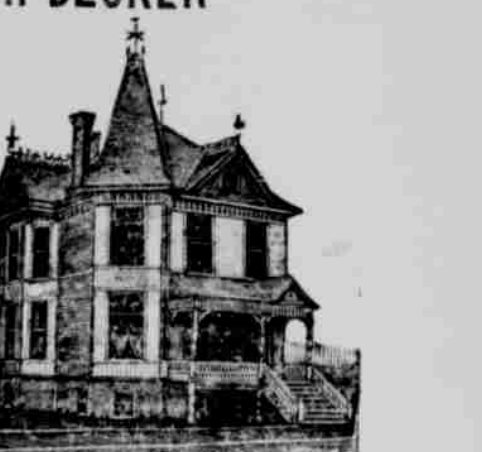
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